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RURAL DISTRICT OF BINGHAM

ANNUAL REPORT of the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
for the year 1963
with the REPORT of the CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
and CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT

Health Department,
Bingham.

October, 1964.

To/

The Chairman and Members of the
BINGHAM RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am again honoured to present to you my Annual Report on the health and Health Services of the District during the year 1963, compiled in accordance with the instructions of the Minister of Health.

Apart from the usual annual slight variations in the numbers of cases of infectious diseases, the main event of the year was an outbreak of Typhoid Fever which occurred in 2 of our inhabitants during their holidays in Switzerland. Due to the rapid diagnosis and isolation of these cases, there was no spread of infection to any contacts of these cases, which, I am glad to say, recovered.

The population of the District as estimated by the Registrar General for mid-year 1963 was 27,720, as compared with the actual Census figure in 1961 or 25,164 and the mid-year 1962 figure of 26,430.

The number of infants dying in 1963 was 10, which was the same number as in 1962. Examining the deaths of these infants, I have formed the opinion that they could not have been prevented.

Again I am happy to inform you that no maternal deaths occurred during 1963.

Tuberculosis still continues to be notified in small numbers, no deaths having occurred as it being the primary cause.

The Triple vaccination, i.e. against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus is now in full swing and is working very smoothly.

With extremely few exceptions we are using active Sabin oral drops rather than the passive Salk injections for protection against Poliomyelitis. No adverse re-actions have been drawn to my notice of the former's use.

Some 25 houses were demolished during the year, 11 being in clearance areas and 14 individual unfit properties. A total of 518 houses were

erected during 1963, 492 were private and 26 Council dwellings. There were also 61 houses represented in areas in East Bridgford. A more detailed report is shown by my Chief Public Health Inspector.

Finally I would like to acknowledge once again the help and guidance that this department has received at all times from the Chairman and Members of the Council and the Staff, particularly my own, for the ready and willing assistance and interest. The County Medical Officer is also thanked for his assistance and advice and for the information and support relating to his services in this District.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Cochrane Cross.

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS

Area of District	67,583 acres
Registrar General's estimate of resident population (including armed forces) mid-1963	27, 720
Census population 1961	25,164
Number of inhabited houses at 1st April, 1963	7, 869
Rateable value at 1st April, 1963	£735,870
Product of penny rate as estimated for 1963/1964 ...	£3,200

VITAL STATISTICS

	Total	Male	Female
Live Births	577	300	277
Crude Live Birth Rate	20.82 per 1,000 population		
Adjusted Live Birth Rate	20.60 per 1,000 population		

	Total	Male	Female
Deaths	330	160	170
Crude Death Rate	11.90 per 1,000 population		
Adjusted Death Rate	10.71 per 1,000 population		

	Total	Male	Female
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age ...	10	5	5
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age (per 1,000 live births)	17.33		
Maternal Deaths	Nil		

Population	27,720
Births	
Live	577 (Male 300, Female 277)
Still	5 (Male 1, Female 4)
Illegitimate Births	
Live	20 (Male 12, Female 8)
Still	1 (Male 0, Female 1)
Deaths of Infants	
Total Deaths under 1 year of age	10 (Male 5, Female 5)
Illegitimate Deaths under 1 year of age ...	0 (Male 0, Female 0)
Total Deaths under 4 weeks of age	5 (Male 0, Female 5)
Illegitimate Deaths under 4 weeks of age ...	0 (Male 0, Female 0)
Maternal Deaths	0 (Male 0, Female 0)

Birth Rate

Crude Live Birth Rate	20.82 per 1,000 population
Corrected Live Birth Rate	20.60 per 1,000 population
Crude Still Birth Rate	8.59 per 1,000 total births
Corrected Still Birth Rate	8.50 per 1,000 total births

Death Rate

Crude Death Rate	11.90 per 1,000 population
Corrected Death Rate	10.71 per 1,000 population
Infantile Death Rate (under 1 year of age)	17.33 per 1,000 live births
Neo-natal Death Rate (under 4 weeks of age)	8.66 per 1,000 live births
Peri-natal Death Rate (under 1 week of age plus still births)	17.01 per 1,000 total births

Comparative Figures	Bingham Rural District	England and Wales
	Rate per 1,000 population	
Live Birth Rate	20.60	18.2
	Rate per 1,000 births	
Still Birth Rate	8.50	17.2
	Rate per 1,000 population	
Death Rate (all causes)	10.71	12.2
	Rate per 1,000 live births	
Infantile Death Rate (all causes under 1 year of age)	17.31	21.1
Neo-Natal Death Rate	7.79	14.2
Enteritis & Diarrhoea (Rate under 2 years of age)	1.73	

Population

The Registrar General's estimated increase in population between 1962 and 1963 was 1,290.

Birth Rate

During 1963,577 live births occurred in the District, 300 being male and 277 female. The adjusted live birth rate was thus 20.60 per 1,000 population compared with 18.2 for England and Wales in the same period. For comparison,the 1962 figures were 19.90 for the Bingham Rural District and 18.0 for England and Wales, the increase in 1963 being due to an increase of 76 live births during the year.

Causes of Still Births	No. of Cases	
	Male	Female
An encephalic	-	1
Placental separation Concealed ante-partum haemorrhage	1	-
Gross multiple abnormalities	-	1
Foetal Anoxia Cord tightly wound round neck	-	1
Still birth Rheses Isoimmunisation	-	1

Death Rate

During 1963 there were 330 deaths in the District, 160 male and 170 female. The adjusted death rate was 10.71 per 1,000 population compared with 12.2 for England and Wales. For comparison the 1962 figures were 10.92 per 1,000 population for the Bingham Rural District and 12.0 for England and Wales.

Infantile Mortality Rate

During the year 10 deaths of infants occurred, 5 of which were neo-natal, i.e. death within the first week of life. None of these deaths, in my opinion, were likely to have been prevented.

Causes of Death	Age	No. of Cases	
		Male	Female
Prematurity	3 days	-	1
	1 week	-	1
	18 hours	-	1
Acute gastro-enteritis	9 months	1	-
Asphyxia Encephalocele	1 day	-	1
Meningitis Haemophilus Influenzal virus	1 month	1	-
Intestinal obstruction Hirchsprung's disease Congenital megacolon Bilateral hydronephrosis	4 months	1	-
Multiple internal haemorrhage Congenital heart disease	2 days	-	1
Broncho-pneumonia	4 months	1	-
Congenital heart disease	3 months	1	-

Maternal Mortality Rate

Again no mother has died from pregnancy, nor as a result of labour in the Bingham District during the year.

Causes of Death

The following list gives the causes of deaths amongst residents of the District during 1963.

Causes of Death	Male	Female	Total
Syphilitic Disease	-	1	1
Measles	1	-	1
Cancer			
Stomach	4	3	7
Lung and Bronchus	5	-	5
Breast	-	4	4
Uterus	-	2	2
All other sites	15	13	28
Leukaemia	-	1	1
Diabetes	1	-	1
Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	20	21	41
Coronary Disease and Angina	21	20	41
Hypertension with Heart Disease	-	3	3
Other Heart Disease	29	57	86
Other Circulatory Disease	7	7	14
Influenza	2	1	3
Pneumonia	12	10	22
Bronchitis	15	5	20
Other Respiratory Diseases	-	1	1
Ulcer of the Stomach and Duodenum	1	1	2
Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1	-	1
Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	1	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-	1
Congenital Malformations	3	3	6
Other defined and Ill-defined Diseases	9	12	21
Motor Vehicle Accidents	11	1	12
All Other Accidents	1	2	3
Suicide	1	1	2
	160	170	330

The following table compares the death rates of certain diseases in the District with those of England and Wales :-

Causes of Death	Death Rates per 1,000 Population	
	Bingham Rural District	England and Wales
Tuberculosis (all forms)	0.00 (0.00)	0.06 (0.07)
Diphtheria	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
Whooping Cough	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus	0.16 (0.36)	0.52 (0.51)
Influenza	0.10 (0.13)	0.07 (0.07)
Acute Poliomyelitis	0.00 (0.00)	0.00 (0.00)
Pneumonia	0.71 (0.66)	0.78 (0.68)
Coronary Disease and Angina	1.33 (1.25)	2.29 (2.20)
Other Heart Disease	2.79 (2.57)	- (-)
Bronchitis	0.72 (0.79)	- (-)
Other Respiratory Diseases	0.03 (0.00)	- (-)

The figures in brackets are those for 1962

The commonest causes of death were Heart and Circulatory conditions, Cancer being the next, followed by Respiratory conditions.

Notifiable Diseases

The following is a table of notifiable diseases occurring in the District (with the figures for the previous year in brackets), giving also the case rate per 1,000 of population.

Disease	No. of Cases	Case Rate per 1,000 Population	
		1963	1962
Scarlet Fever	1 (1)	0.04	(0.04)
Whooping Cough	7 (-)	0.25	(0.00)
Diphtheria	- (-)	0.00	(0.00)
Measles	221 (120)	7.97	(4.54)
Acute Pneumonia	1 (2)	0.04	(0.07)
Acute Poliomyelitis			
Paralytic	- (-)	0.00	(0.00)
Non-Paralytic	- (-)	0.00	(0.00)
Erysipelas	1 (-)	0.04	(0.00)
Food Poisoning	1 (-)	0.04	(0.00)
Tuberculosis			
Pulmonary	7 (5)	0.25	(0.19)
Non-Pulmonary	- (1)	0.00	(0.04)
Sonne Dysentery	4 (-)	0.14	(0.00)
Puerperal Pyrexia	- (-)	0.00	(0.00)
Acute Meningitis	- (-)	0.00	(0.00)
Encephalitis	- (1)	0.00	(0.04)
Typhoid Fever	2 (-)	0.07	(0.00)

Measles

During 1963, 221 cases of Measles were notified, compared with 120 in the previous year.

Sonne Dysentery

There were 4 cases of Sonne Dysentery during the year.

Poliomyelitis

Once more, I am pleased to say that no cases of Poliomyelitis occurred in the District.

Diphtheria

Again, I have pleasure in reporting a Nil return for this infectious disease during 1963.

Whooping Cough

7 cases of Whooping Cough were notified during 1963.

Food Poisoning

Only 1 case of Food Poisoning was reported during the year.

Typhoid Fever

2 cases of Typhoid Fever were reported during the year and, due to the speedy diagnosis and isolation, no spread of the disease to any of the contacts occurred.

Scarlet Fever

1 case of Scarlet Fever was notified during 1963.

Erysipelas

Again only 1 case of Erysipelas was notified during the year.

Acute Pneumonia

1 case of Acute Pneumonia was notified during 1963.

Tuberculosis

There were 20 additions to the Register during 1963. Of these additions 7 were fresh notifications of Tuberculosis, which were all pulmonary, 13 were notified cases who had come to live in the District. 2 deaths were included in the removals from the register, (Tuberculosis was not recorded as the prime cause of death), 9 cases were concerned with people who had gone to live outside the District and 14 cases which had been removed due to recovery from the disease. This I consider to be satisfactory.

Additions to the Register ..... 20 cases
Removals from the Register ..... 25 cases

The following tables give details of the age groups in both new cases and removals, due to death, from the Register.

Tuberculosis in 1963

Age Group	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respy.		Non-Respy.		Respy.		Non-Respy.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 14 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 24 years	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 60 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over 60 years	-	-	-	-	* 2	-	-	-
	3	4	-	-	2	-	-	-

* Primary cause of death other than Tuberculosis

Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925

No action was required under these regulations during 1963, nor under the Public Health Act, 1936, Section 172.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Laboratory Facilities

(a) Public Health Laboratory

The Public Health Laboratory, being the Laboratory for the Nottinghamshire Area under the Public Health Laboratory Service for the Medical Research Council, carried out the following examinations :-

Milk:	Phosphatase Test, Methylene Blue Test, Bacteriological etc.
Ice Cream:	Methylene Blue Test, Grading, etc.
Food:	Bacteriological examination of foodstuffs
Water:	Bacteriology of water
Pathological	Bacteriology and pathology of swabs, sputa, etc.

(b) City Analyst's Laboratory

Similar examinations to the above are carried out in respect of Milk, Ice Cream and Water. The Laboratory is also able to carry out chemical analysis of food. Mr. E.R. Fogden, B.Sc., F.R.I.C., is an official analyst for the purpose of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

Ambulance Service

The Nottinghamshire County Council maintain a service of ambulances and an ambulance may be obtained for necessitous cases by contacting the Nottinghamshire County Council Ambulance Control, telephone number, Nottingham 55939.

Maternity and Child Welfare Services

These services are provided by the Nottinghamshire County Council. The following Clinics are available in the District :-

(a) Bingham Child Welfare Clinic (Church Hall)

Every Friday afternoon - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends weekly

(b) Bingham Antenatal Clinic and Post-Natal Clinic (Church Hall)

Alternate Monday afternoons - 2.00 to 4.30 p.m.

(c) Radcliffe-on-Trent Child Welfare Clinic (Methodist Chapel)

Alternate Thursday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends weekly

(d) Radcliffe-on-Trent Ante-Natal and Post-Natal Clinic (Methodist Chapel)

Alternate Monday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

(e) East Bridgford Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Women's Institute)

Alternate Thursday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends at 4-weekly intervals

(f) Cotgrave Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Parish Hall)

Alternate Thursday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends at 4-weekly intervals

(g) Cropwell Bishop Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Women's Institute)

Alternate Wednesday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends at 4-weekly intervals

(h) Langar/Barnstone Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (The Institute, Barnstone)

Alternate Tuesday mornings - 9.3o a.m. to 12 Noon
A Medical Officer attends each Clinic

(i) Hickling Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Methodist Schoolroom)

Alternate Wednesday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends at 4-weekly intervals

(j) Plumtree Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Memorial Hall)

Alternate Tuesday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends each Clinic

(k) Syerston Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Child Welfare Centre, Station Sick Quarters, R.A.F. Syerston)

Alternate Friday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer attends at 4-weekly intervals

(l) Keyworth Combined Child Welfare and Ante-Natal Clinic (Women's Institute)

Alternate Thursday afternoons - 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
A Medical Officer is in attendance every Clinic.

Midwifery and Nursing Services

The Nottinghamshire County Council provide a combined midwifery and nursing in the home service. The following is a list of the District Nursing Associations :-

(a) East Bridgford D.N.A. The district covered comprises East Bridgford, Car Colston, Screveton, Kneeton, Shelford, Newton, Bingham and Saxondale.

Name of Nurse	Miss R. Allcock,
Address	6, Walnut Tree Lane, East Bridgford.
Telephone Number	East Bridgford 340

(b) Barnstone, Cropwells and District D.N.A. The district covered comprises Langar-cum-Barnstone, Granby and Sutton, Wiverton, Cropwell Bishop, Cropwell Butler, Colston Bassett and Tithby.

Name of Nurse	Mrs. E.M. Hanson-Allen
Address	Linden Cottage, School Lane, Colston Bassett.
Telephone Number	Kinoulton 295.

(c) Elston and Orston D.N.A. The district covered comprises Flintham, Sibthorpe, Aslockton, Orston, Elton, Thoroton, Whatton, Hawksworth, Scarrington, Flawborough, Shelton and Syerston R.A.F. Station.

Names of Nurses	Miss E. Eardley and Miss M.D. Gaydon
Address	The Orchard, Church Lane, Whatton.
Telephone Number	Whatton 371.

(d) Hickling D.N.A. The district covered comprises Hickling, Kinoulton, Upper Broughton, Owthorpe and Widmerpool.

Name of Nurse	Miss A. Matthews,
Address	The Bungalow, Kinoulton.
Telephone Number	Kinoulton 264.

(e) Plumtree D.N.A. The district covered comprises Plumtree, Keyworth, Normanton-on-the-Wolds, Stanton-on-the-Wolds, Clipstone-on-the-Wolds and Tollerton.

Names of Nurses and Addresses	Miss M. Stubbington, Birchwood, Melton Road, Tollerton Telephone No. Plumtree 2131
	Mrs. D.M. Murray, 62, Wilford Road, Ruddington. Telephone No. Nottingham 212765

(f) Radcliffe-on-Trent D.N.A. The district covered comprises Radcliffe-on-Trent, Holme Pierrepont, Bassingfield, Cotgrave and Stragglethorpe.

Names of Nurses and Addresses	Mrs. Lynd, 12, Butler Avenue, Shelford Road, Radcliffe-on-Trent Telephone No. Radcliffe 418
	Mrs. Copland, 17, Newstead Avenue, Radcliffe-on-Trent. Telephone No. Radcliffe 2958

The Gamston and Adbolton Area is covered by the West Bridgford District Nursing District Nursing Association.

Care of Premature Babies

The care of premature babies is undertaken by the Nottinghamshire County Council. The Paediatric Consultant, Dr. Blandy, is available for consultation in the case of these babies, his services having been made possible on a part-time basis by the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board.

Paediatric Consultations

The services of Dr. Blandy, referred to in the previous paragraph, are available for all children up to school leaving age. A weekly Clinic is arranged by the County Council and cases are referred to it on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer.

Opthalmic Consultations

The services of a Consultant Ophthalmologist are made available to all children up to school leaving age. Appointments are made after reference to the County Medical Officer. The services of the Consultant are provided on a part-time basis by the Sheffield Regional Hospital Board.

Dental Services

The County Council are responsible for providing a Dental Service for children up to school leaving age and for ante-natal cases and nursing mothers. Appointments can be made by the County Medical Officer after reference from the various Clinics, etc.

Care of Unmarried Mothers, etc.

This work is supervised and administered by the Nottinghamshire County Council who have an Almoner service for this purpose.

School Health Service

This service is provided by the Nottinghamshire County Council.

Vaccination and Immunisation Services

(a) Vaccination Service

This service is administered by the Bingham Medical Officer of Health on an agency basis for the Local Health Authority. The following figures represent the year's work, including the cases dealt with by the General Practitioner Service :-

	Under 1 year	1 year old	2 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	15 years and over	Totals
Primary Vaccination	91 (237)	93 (98)	8 (118)	3 (433)	- (634)	195 (1520)
Re-vaccination	- (1)	- (-)	1 (14)	2 (233)	-(1147)	3 (1395)

The figures in brackets are those for 1962

(b) Diphtheria Immunisation Service

This service is again run on an agency basis for the Local Health Authority. The following figures represent the total number of children protected against Diphtheria in the District during the year, with 1962 figures for the same age groups in brackets.

Born in year	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1954-58	1949-53	Total
Primary Course	114(88)	223(250)	48(13)	3(2)	5(7)	6 (8)	- (1)	399 (369)
Re-inforcing Injection	-(-)	78(-)	8(3)	1(1)	10(-)	241(161)	5 (1)	343 (166)

(c) Whooping Cough Immunisation

During 1963, 7 cases of Whooping Cough were notified. Although this is an increase on my Nil return for 1962, a satisfactory position remains.

(d) Tetanus Immunisation

The Triple Antigen has now been in use for two years, i.e. the combined prophylactic against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus. I have been aware of no upset to the children as a result and the whole scheme still continues to work very well indeed.

(e) Poliomyelitis Vaccination

The use of the passive Salk vaccine has been reduced considerably in favour of the active Sabin oral drops. The following table shows the number of children and adults who were given protection against Poliomyelitis during 1963, including those dealt with by General Practitioners.

Age Group	Number of persons who have completed Primary Dose	
	Salk Vaccine	Oral Vaccine
Children born in 1963	6	31
Children born in 1962	33	243
Children born in 1961	7	75
Children and Young Persons born in years 1943-1960	2	45
Young persons born in 1933-1942	3	20
Others	7	59
Totals	58	473

Number of persons given third injection of Salk vaccine 31
Number of persons given fourth injection of Salk vaccine 9
Number of persons given a reinforcing dose of Oral vaccine after
(a) 2 doses of Salk vaccine 147
(b) 3 doses of Salk or 3 Oral or 2 doses Salk Plus 2 Oral 295

(f) B.C.G. Vaccination

This vaccination was offered to all pupils of the three Secondary Schools in the District and the following were the relevant figures :-

No. of children offered vaccination during 1963	Unknown
No. of children whose parents accepted	524 (153)
No. of children skin tested	487 (151)
No. of children positive to skin test	84 (14)
No. of children negative to skin test	376 (134)
No. of children vaccinated	253 (127)

All cases found strongly positive to the skin test were X-rayed and re-X-rayed after 3 months and two more X-rays are given at yearly intervals.

The figures in brackets are those for 1962.

Home Help Service

The Local Health Authority provide a home help service and assistance can be obtained for necessitous cases on request to the County Medical Officer. The service covers the following types of cases :-

(1) Maternity cases
(2) Mothers of young children when requested by a Medical Practitioner
(3) The aged and infirm
(4) Cases of illness when no other help is available

No nursing attention can be given, as this is not the duty of the service.

The cost of a whole-time help for a full 42 hour week may be considerable to the home, but it is considered by the Authority and part, or the whole, may be remitted in necessitous cases.

The value of this service is very great to the community and leads to a very considerable saving in hospital beds, etc. and thereby a very great saving financially to the community.

National Assistance Act, 1948, Section 47: National Assistance Amendment Act 1951, Section 1

No action was taken under these sections of the Acts during the year under review.

On 26th September, 1963 the District Welfare and Mental Health Service was separated in order to provide greater efficiency and better service to the public.

The Social Welfare Officer is :-

Mr. K.H. Parsons,
9, Musters Road,
West Bridgford. Telephone No. Nottingham 82131

The Mental Health Officers are :-
(for the parishes of Aslockton, Bingham, Car Colston, East Bridgford, Elton, Flawborough, Flintham, Hawksworth, Kneeton; Orston, Scarrington, Screveton, Shelton, Sibthorpe, Thoroton, Whatton)

Mr. G.V. Thorpe,
Main Office,
34, Northgate,
Newark. Telephone No.Newark 2132

Call Office:

Burgage House,
King Street,
Southwell Telephone No.Southwell 3110

(for the Parishes of Upper Broughton, Clipstone, Colston Bassett, Cotgrave, Cropwell Bishop, Cropwell Butler, Gamston, Granby, Hickling, Holme Pierrepont, Keyworth, Kinoulton, Langar, Normanton, Owthorpe, Plumtree, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Saxondale, Shelford, Stanton-on-the-Wolds, Tithby, Tollerton, Widmerpool, Wiverton)

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Call Office 11.0 a.m. - 12 Noon, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting this report for inclusion in the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1963.

The refuse collection services have involved a considerable amount of time study and effort to re-organise the service and gain efficiency. Paper sack refuse collection has caught the imagination as being hygienic, noiseless and easy to handle, but the cost - both capital and running, and the disadvantages of hot ashes, sharp articles and damage by animals must also be carefully considered before any large scale installations are carried out. Further research should be carried out for a disposable container of suitable material fitted inside a noiseless refuse bin. The reduction of overtime working has resulted in 10 men leaving the service in little over six months, thus emphasising the unrealistic basic wage for the unpleasant job which affects every ratepayer. The unfortunate result - a shortage of suitable labour.

Representation of some 61 sub-standard properties in East Bridgford was undertaken and as a result of the inquiry, one property was excluded by the Minister. I make no apology for the Minister's exclusion of this property, as it is my intention to have good housing standards and to pursue this policy vigorously until all sub-standard properties have been eliminated.

What are the future standards to be in addition to the now accepted minimum of hot and cold water, bath and water closet?. Will it be a consistant temperature of 16°C. (60.8°F) throughout the house by piped fuels, thus achieving the standards of the Romans?.

Is this really asking too much in this era of progress, particularly when considering the provisions of the new Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, which stipulates a minimum temperature of 16°C. or 60.8°F.?.

Will it be work in comfort and shiver at home?.

Food premises, Canteens, Cafes are not receiving the necessary supervision with hints and education on food hygiene given when visits are made. Every effort has been made throughout the year, however, to inspect the danger food premises, i.e. made-up meat and milk foods.

Water carting has been reduced to 5 houses with an occasional delivery of bulk supply in the newly acquired 500 gallon water tanker.

A pilot scheme for the removal of litter from the main centres, village litter baskets and lay-byes was discussed during the year and implimented in 1964. This "Mr. Tidy" service has been greatly appreciated. The amount of litter along the highways and bye-ways has been reduced and it is hoped in this way to keep the country side clean and pleasant.

I wish to record my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee for their support and encouragement, to colleagues in other departments and especially to those of the Health Department for their loyal support at all times.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

T. Allwood.

Chief Public Health Inspector

REPORT
of the
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
AND
CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT

1963 Annual Report

The following is a statement required to be furnished by the Public Health Inspector to the Medical Officer of Health under the provisions of the Public Health Officers' (Outside London) Regulations, 1959.

Summary of Visits.

Interviews	.....	1921
Housing:-		
(a) First Visits	.....	349
(b) Re-Visits	.....	550
(c) Overcrowding	.....	14
(d) Rent Act 1957	.....	11
Caravan Control & Developement Act 1960	.....	191
Water Supply & Sampling	.....	369
Caravans	.....	132
Infectious Diseases	.....	214
Noise Nuisance	.....	44
Atmospheric Pollution	.....	38
Piggeries & Stables	.....	152
Disinfection and Disinfestation	.....	18
Dykes & Ponds	.....	94
Accumulation of Refuse	.....	114
W.C. Conversions	.....	102
New Drainage	.....	20
Existing defective & choked drainage	.....	210
Existing drainage extension	.....	8
Land Drainage	.....	4

Public Cleansing

(a) Collection	.....	538
(b) Disposal	.....	276
(c) Dustbins	.....	165
(d) Salvage	.....	167
Miscellaneous	.....	262
Complaints	.....	157
Factories Act	.....	42

Notices Served

Informal	.....	2
Statutory	.....	Nil
Supervision of other foods & premises	.....	55
Butchers Shops	.....	18
Bakehouses	.....	Nil
Cafes & Restaurants	.....	9
Dairies & Milk premises	.....	Nil
Mobile Shops	.....	Nil
Fried Fish Shops	.....	6
Ice Cream Premises	.....	12
Licensed Houses	.....	7
Other Food Promises	.....	8
Slaughterhouses	.....	213
Food Inspection	.....	12
Food Sampling	.....	6

FACTORIES ACT 1961

The number of inspections carried out during the year of work places and Factories are as follows:-

Factories with power	.....	50
Factories without power (including workplaces)	.....	5
Outwor ers premises	.....	29

HEALTH PROVISIONS

1. Inspections

Premises	Number on Register	Number of Inspections	Number of Notices
(i) Factories to which Sections 1,2,3,4, and 6 are to be enforced by the local Authority	46		
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority.	5	46	1
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority, excluding Outworkers premises	112	72	
Total	163	118	1

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found			
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness	7	6		
Overcrowding				
Unreasonable Temperature				
Ineffective drainage of floors	1	1		
Sanitary Conveniences:-				
(a) Insufficient				
(b) Unsuitable or defective		1		1
(c) Not separate for sexes				
Other offences against the Act. (not including offences relating to outwork.				
Total	8	8		1

3. OUTWORK - Part V111 of the Act

Nature of work	Number of outworkers in August List required by Section 110(1)(0)(3)
Wearing Apparel (making, cleaning and washing)	25
Lace, Lace Curtains and nets	4
Total	29

Inspection of Meat and Other Foods.

Details of Slaughtering which has taken place during the year 1963 are appended.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

	Cattle (excluding Cows)	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number Killed (if known)	445	1	1	1487	863	-
Number inspected	445	1	1	1487	863	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci:- Whole Carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases in which some part or organ was condemned	50	-	-	2	13	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	11.2	-	-	.13	1.5	-
Tuberculosis only:- Whole Carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	1	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	.11	-
Cysticercosis:- Carcases to which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Meat Inspection

Meat Condemned during year 1963

Carcases and Organs

Tuberculosis in Organs	Cattle	sheep	Pigs	
Heads and Tongues	-	-	1	10 lbs

Other diseases

Abcesses	23			148 lbs
Fascioliasis	33	-		462 lbs
Cysticercus Bovis	1			50 lbs
Carcinoma	1			30 lbs
Hepatitis			1	6 lbs
Corrynbacterium			2	25 lbs
Ascaris Lumbricoides			4	28 lbs
Pregnancy Toxaemia		1		10 lbs
Bruising			1	10 lbs
Antina Bacillosis	1			15 lbs
Coccidiosis		1		10 lbs

Slaughterhouse.

The following Slaughterhouses were issued with licences in the district:-

1. W. F. Payling & Son, Main Street, Aslockton
2. F. Bailey & Son, Station Road, Upper Broughton.
3. Harold Barlow, 11 Nottingham Road, Cropwell Bishop
4. Arthur B. Beaumont, 3 Bingham Road, Cotgrave.
5. A.C. Brumpton, 5 Plumtree Road, Cotgrave.

Slaughterhouses Act 1958

The Slaughterhouse within the district continued to maintain the hygienic conditions laid down by the act.

Meat Inspection.

No of Slaughterhouses licensed at the end of the year	5
No of licences revoked during the year	Nil
No of inspections of Slaughterhouses	155
No of defects or unsatisfactory conditions observed	42

Ice Cream.

No of premises registered for the sale and storage of Ice Cream	69
No. of premises registered for the sale, manufacture and storage of Ice Cream	Nil
No. of registered refused	Nil
No. of samples taken	
Grade 1	Nil
Grade 2	Nil
Grade 3	Nil
Grade 4	Nil

Water Supply

Mains water supply is by the Nottingham Corporation and one village by the Leicester Corporation.

Satisfactory state of the Water Supply in the Area

(a) in quality	Mains Supply - yes	Well Supply -No
(b) in quantity	Mains Supply - yes	Well Supply -No

Bacteriological Examinations

No of Samples taken	14
Satisfactory	7
Unsatisfactory	7

Chemical Analysis

No of Samples taken	Nil
Satisfactory	Nil
Unsatisfactory	Nil

Unsatisfactory Bacteriological Samples of Water.

5 properties were connected to the mains supply, 2 properties at Cropwell Butler were demolished and no longer required water.

Only 5 deliveries weekly are now made by the Council's water cart in the following villages:-

Elton	(2)	Cropwell Butler	(1)
Hickling	(1)	Kinoulton	(1)

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT 1955

The following particulars have been submitted by Mr. T.L.E. Gregory the Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures, and Food and Drugs Department, of the Nottinghamshire County Council, of samples of food taken from this district during the year:-

Articles	Number of Samples		
	Obtained	Genuine	Adulterated or Sub-Standard
Arrowroot	1	1	-
Blackcurrant Drink	1	1	-
Bread Sauce	1	1	-
Breakfast Cereal	1	1	-
Bronchial Mixture	1	1	-
Butter	1	1	-
Cake Flour	1	1	-
Cauliflower	1	1	-
Coffee	1	1	-
Cream	1	1	-
Cream Cheese Spread	1	1	-
Creamed Rice Milk Pudding	2	2	-
Fish Dinner	1	1	-
Fruit Salad	1	1	-
Frying Oil	1	1	-
Gin	4	4	-
Horse Radish Sauce	1	1	-
Ice Cream	1	1	-
Jam Sandwich	1	1	-
Lard	1	1	-
Milk	62	62	-
Milk Condensed	1	1	-
Mince Meat	1	1	-
Orange Squash	1	1	-
Pickled Onions	1	1	-
Pork Dripping	1	1	-
Rum	2	2	-
Sausage Pork	1	1	-
Steak & Kidney Pie	1	1	-
Sultanas	1	1	-
Sweets	1	1	-
Table Jelly	1	1	-
Whisky	3	3	-
	101	101	-

THE MILK (Special Designations)(Pasteurised and Sterilised) REGULATIONS.

	Pasteurised	Sterilised
Samples obtained and submitted to prescribed tests	66	-
Samples unsatisfactory	1	-

Failed the Methylene Blue test (keeping quality) and appropriate action was taken in respect of this failure

Bacteriological Examination of Milk Bottles.

Examined	48
Satisfactory	48
Unsatisfactory	-

HOUSING

1. Inspection of dwelling houses during the year:-

(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts.)	349
(b)	Number of inspections mad for the purpose	550
(c)	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
(d)	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under previous sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.	28

2. Remedy of the defects during the year without the service of a formal notice

Number of defective dwelling houses repaired in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers. 43

3. Action under statutory Powers during the year

(a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10, and 16 of the Housing Act 1957

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs	Nil
(2)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of a formal notice	Nil

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Act.

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	2
(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of informal notices	
	(a) by owners or occupiers	11
	(b) by Local Authority	Nil

(c) Proceedings under Section 17 & 19 of the Housing Act

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition orders were made	7
(2)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders	7
(3)	Informal action	Nil

(d) Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act 1957

(1)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made	Nil
(2)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined the tenement or room having been made fit	Nil

CONVERSIONS

Eleven water closet conversions were completed during the year

RENT ACT 1957

Period covered by return - 1st January 1963 to 31st December 1963

Part 1 - Applications for certificates of disrepair.

1.	Number of applications for certificates	Nil
2.	Number of decisions not to issue certificates	Nil
3.	Number of decisions to issue certificates	
	(a) in respect of some, but not all defects	Nil
	(b) in respect of all defects.	Nil
4.	Number of undertakings given by landlords under para 5 of the first schedule	Nil
5.	Number of undertakings refused by Local Authority provided by para 5 of the First Schedule	Nil
6.	Number of certificates issued	Nil

Part 11 - Application for cancellation of Certificates.

7.	Applications by landlords to Local Authority for cancellation of certificates.	Nil
8.	Objections by tenants to cancel certificates	1
9.	Decisions by Local Authority to cancel in spite of tenants' objections	Nil
10.	Certificates cancelled by Local Authority	Nil

Caravan Sites & Control of Developement Act 1960.

The Binghamsfield Caravan Site is being run down in readiness for a re-planning of the site with a view to producing a more realistic plan for future large caravans. These caravans contain all modern facilities ready to be connected to a drainage system using water tight flexible pipes. In order to comply with the act for such caravans, plots of approximately 250 sq. yds.will be necessary.

The demand for such temporary prefabricated homes seems to be insatisfiable, it appears to attract theyoung married couples (who have no desire to live with in-laws) or the older person who has no desire for housework and heavy gardening duties. The mobile civil engineers are also heavy in their use of caravan homes and are often sited adjacent to their work and are free from legislation referred to.

The improvement of caravan sites has not progressed as one would have wished.

Public Cleansing

Refuse Collection	1962	1963
Number of Bins emptied	361,680	407,283
Number of loads of refuse	2,426	2,380
Mileage	57,671	56,756
Number of Bins per week	6,955	7,684
Pan and Cesspool Emptying		
Work done during the year 1963:-		
2 Vehicles		
Number of Pans emptied	63,680	46,982
Number of Cesspools emptied	835	1,087
Number of loads from cesspools	1,368	1,906
Number of pans per week	1,224	903

Waste Paper.

The amounts sold are as follows:-

	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	lbs	£	s	d
Fibreboard	103	1	2	0	980	4	1
Newspapers	117	1	0	0	981	7	2
Mixed Paper	136	1	0	0	1205	2	0
	356	3	2	0	3166	13	3
Metals	-	14	1	0	2	9	10
Textiles	9	15	0	0	185	10	0
	366	12	3	0	3354	13	1

RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION ACT 1949

The scheme for the destruction of rats and mice is carried out under the provisions of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act 1949.

Details of treatments carried out by the Council's Rodent Operator during the year 1963 are as follows:-

	Type of Property Non Agricultural				
	Local Authority	Dwelling Houses inc. Council Houses	All other inc. Business Premises	Total	Agric.
Number of properties in Local Authority's District	12	8209	935	9156	751
Total number of properties inspected as a result of notification		110	11	121	8
Number of such properties found to be infested by:-					
Common Rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
Common Rat Minor	-	97	10	107	8
House Mouse Major	-	-	-	-	-
House Mouse Minor	-	13	1	14	-
Total number of properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act	12	1677	177	1866	156
Number of such properties found to be infested by:-					
Common Rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
Common Rat Minor	12	300	9	321	2
Total number of properties otherwise inspected	-	600	100	700	90
Total inspections carried out including re-inspections	146	3407	78	3631	69
Number of infested properties treated by Local Authority	12	410	20	442	10
Total treatments carried out including re-treatments	12	410	20	442	10
Number of "Block" control schemes carried out	10	-	-	-	-